

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1143

ANSWERED ON:15.07.2004

PRESENT STATUS OF ONGOING RAIL PROJECTS IN WEST BENGAL

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the various ongoing rail projects in West Bengal;

(b) whether the Government has decided to expedite the construction work so that the projects are likely to be completed before the scheduled time;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) to (d) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1143 BY SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 15.07.2004 REGARDING PRESENT STATUS OF ONGOING RAIL PROJECTS IN WEST BENGAL

(a) : The present status of the various ongoing rail projects in West Bengal together with their cost, anticipated expenditure up to 31.03.2004, outlay proposed during 2004-05 and target dates for completion wherever fixed, are given as under: -

Sl.No.	Name of project	Anticipated cost (Rs. in cr.) upto 31.3.04 2005	Anticipated expenditure (Rs. in cr.) upto 31.3.04 2005	Proposed outlay (Rs. in cr.) during 2004-05	Current Status
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NEW LINES

1	Laxmikantapur-Namkhana (47.5 km)	100.88	93.97	1.00	Work completed.
2.	Tarakeshwar-Bishnupur with ext up to Kumarkundu bypass connecting Howrah-Bardhaman Chord (85 km)	276	22.66	2.99	Land acquisition proceedings are in progress between Tarakeshwar-Arambagh. Work will be commenced once the land becomes available.
3.	Azimganj(Nasi pur)-Jiaganj up to the Ghats (3 km)	22.78	--	0.01	Work would be taken up after obtaining requisite clearances for which action has been initiated.
4.	Mandarhill-Rampurhat via Dumka (130 km)	254.07	57.43	10.00	Final Location Survey has been completed. Land acquisition proceedings are in progress. Work of earthwork, bridges and other activities are in

progress.

5.	New Maynaguri-Jogighopa (245 km)	733	33.97	42.00	Final Location Survey completed. Land acquisition proceedings in progress. Earthwork and bridge works from Maynaguri Road-Changrabandha are in progress.
6.	Eklakhi-Balurghat and Gazol-Itahar (118 km)	274.41	207.25	5.00	Eklakhi-Balurghat completed. Final Location Survey between Gazol-Itahar being taken up.
7.	Tamluk-Digha (87.5 km)	293.97	241.19	11.00	Tamluk-Kanthi completed. Work in progress between Kanthi-Digha which is targeted for completion during 2004-05.
8.	Howrah-Amta and Bargachia-Champadanga (73.5 km)	154.3	68.42	5.00	Howrah-Mahendralalnagar section completed. Mahendralalnagar-Amta targeted for completion during 2004 05.
GAUGE CONVERSION					
1.	New Jalpaiguri-Siliguri-New Bongaigaon (415.48 km)	820.00	596.49	30.00	New Jalpaiguri-Samuktala Road completed. Samuktala-New Bongaigaon targeted for completion during 2004-05. Work of conversion of branch line from Alipurduar to Bamanhat has also been taken up.
	Damodar River project including extension of new line from Bowaichandi to Khana (198 km)	158.16	52.95	33.16	Earthwork and bridge works etc. are in progress on Bankura-Damodhar River railway line. Bankura-Sonamukhi targeted for completion during 2004-05.
3.	Katihar-Jogbani (including Katihar-Radhikapur) (196 km) DOUBLING	403.38	97.69	25.00	Earthwork and bridgeworks are in progress. Barsoi-Radhikapur targeted for completion during 2004-05.
1	Tarakeshwar-Sheoraphulli Ph.I (Sheoraphulli-Nalikul) (18 km)	38.88	15.76	2.04	Sheoraphulli-Diara completed. Balance works are in progress.
2.	Gurup-Shaktigarh 3rd line (26 km)	55.58	44.55	4.00	Work is in progress and is targeted for completion during 2004-05.
3.	Habra-Chandpara (22.25 km)	40.81	0.98	2.00	Final Location Survey completed.
4.	Sonarpur Canning Ph.I (Sonarpur-Ghutiari Shariff) (29 km)	30.47	11.11	1.00	Earth work and bridge works are in progress.
5	Baruipur-Lakshmikantapur Ph.I (Baruipur-Dakshnia Barasat) (17 km)	31.82	4.8	1.00	Earthwork and bridgeworks are in progress.
6.	Bolpur-Ahmedpur (19 km)	54.8	30.31	3.00	Work completed.

7	Kalinarayanpur-Krishnanagar including ext. as GC from Krishnanagar-Shantipur and new line Krishnanagar to Chartala (51 km)	102.5	5.73	1.00	Earthwork progress is in part length.
8.	Barasat-Hasanabad doubling with electrification Ph.I (Barasat-Sondalia) (12.12 km)	23.65	3.29	1.00	Earthwork and bridgeworks are in progress.